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NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE PRIMARY EXAMINER TO THE BOARD OF APPEALS

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Appeals from the Decision of the Examiner mailed January 24, 2007, rejecting claims 1, 3-9, 11-17, and 19-24. Prosecution was reopened after Applicants filed an Appeal Brief on November 9, 2006. Applicants hereby initiate a new appeal, as permitted by MPEP § 1207.04, by timely filing this Notice of Appeal.

Applicants respectfully request that the fee for the previously filed Notice of Appeal, filed on June 29, 2006, be applied to this filing, per MPEP § 1204.01, as a final Board decision was never rendered in the previous appeal. Therefore, no fee is believed due for the filing of the present Notice of Appeal.

Respectfully submitted,

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